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NORTHWINDS ADVISORS CONTINUES TO EXPAND ITS PLATFORM TO SERVE THE RENEWABLE ENERGY SECTOR WITH THE HIRING OF MATTHEW ROSKOT, ASSOCIATE

Harrison, NY – July 12, 2011 -- NorthWinds Advisors, an investment banking firm focused exclusively on the renewable energy sector, is pleased to announce the addition of Matthew Roskot as Associate. Matt will provide substantial financial modeling, research and client support capabilities that will leverage his recent professional and educational focus on renewable energy.

“Matt brings an extremely strong investment banking and renewable industry knowledge capability to NorthWinds that will allow us to continue to expand our platform aggressively and meet the demands of clients.” said Garth Klimchuk, NorthWinds’ Founder and Managing Director.

Prior to NorthWinds, Mr. Roskot spent more than five years within the Derivatives and Institutional Fixed Income Groups of Bear Sterns and J.P. Morgan in New York and most recently worked for the New York Energy Policy Institute where he focused on energy efficiency and carbon emissions for Suffolk County, NY.

“I am delighted to join the NorthWinds team,” said Mr. Roskot. “I look forward to being a part of the firm’s continued expansion and to playing a key role in developing and supporting the firm’s long standing client relationships.”

Mr. Roskot received a B.A. degree in Economics-Philosophy from Columbia College and received an M.S. degree in Energy and Environmental Management from Stony Brook University where he focused on the economics of biofuel technologies.

About NorthWinds Advisors

NorthWinds Advisors LLC, headquartered in New York, is an independent financial advisory firm focused on providing mergers & acquisition, capital raising and strategic advisory services to the renewable energy industry. Founded in 2004, NorthWinds has wide-ranging relationships with project developers, technology innovators, investors and generation asset owners. The firm has been the exclusive advisor for transactions relating to over 3,000 megawatts of alternative energy projects and is currently involved in several thousand additional megawatts of wind and solar projects encompassing all forms of funding requirements and M&A. NorthWinds is an affiliate company of NorthWinds Renewables, a merchant banking firm providing early stage investments in renewable energy companies and projects, including large-scale biodiesel facilities through its NorthWinds Biodiesel subsidiary. Visit NorthWinds on the web at www.northwindsadvisors.com.